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C O N F I D E N T I A L KUWAIT 4666

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SUBJ: IHAWK PROGRAM

REF: KUWAIT 4408 DTG 270643Z OCT 75

1. THERE FOLLOWS AN UNOFFICIAL TRANSLATION OF EXTRACTS FROM A LETTER, DATED OCTOBER 18, RECENTLY RECEIVED BY THE AMBASSADOR FROM KUWAIT'S MINISTER OF DEFENSE:

QUOTE:

I REFER TO THE AGREEMENT ON ADVANCE HAWK MISSILES KNOWN AS UAH AND THE CONDITIONS THEREIN. IN VIEW OF THE IMPORTANCE OF COMPLETION OF THE HAWK PROJECT, WE ASK YOU TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING POINTS:

(1) WE CONVEYED OUR COMMENTS CONCERNING THE CONSTRUCTION OF A CENTER FOR EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR "CSMF" IN OUR NOTE NO. 639, DATED OCTOBER 18, 1975.

(2) PLEASE PROVIDE AT THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE TIME A COMPLETE PROPOSAL (OFFER) FOR THE SUPPLY OF NECESSARY ADDITIONAL MAINT-
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ENANCE AND REPAIR EQUIPMENT FOR THE 4TH AND 5TH LEVEL TESTS

IN KUWAIT, AS AGREED BY REPRESENTATIVES OF THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT AND THE AMERICAN RAYTHRON COMPANY.

(3) PLEASE PROVIDE A COMPLETE PROPOSAL (OFFER) FOR A MANAGEMENT PROGRAM FOR THESE MISSILES (PROGRAM MANAGEMENT), RATHER THAN, AS IN THE PAST, PROPOSALS (OFFERS) FOR EACH CASE INDIVIDUALLY (I.E. THE PROVISION OF EXPERTS TO DISCUSS CALIBRATION EQUIPMENT, TRAINING AND SITE PREPARATION--ALTHOUGH WE DID EXPRESS APPROVAL AT THE TIME FOR SUCH LIMITED PROPOSALS).

(4) PLEASE PROVIDE A DETAILED PROPOSAL (OFFER) FOR THE PROVISION OF CALIBRATION EQUIPMENT AT THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE TIME.

(5) PLEASE PROVIDE A PROPOSAL (OFFER) FOR COMPLETE TRAINING FOR MISSILES AND EQUIPMENT.

(6) PLEASE PROVIDE A PROPOSAL (OFFER) FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF HAWK BATTERY SITES.

(7) WITH RESPECT TO CASE UCT, WE CONVEYED TO YOU IN OUR NOTE NO. 538 OF SEPTEMBER 17, 1975, ADVISE OF OUR APPROVAL FOR YOU TO SUPPLY 20 FIVE (5)-TON TRANSPORT TRUCKS, WITHOUT WINCHES (WINCHES), TZV NSN-2320-00-050-8984, M814, AS WELL AS TWO TRUCKS, WITHOUT WINCHES (WINCHES), TYPE 8984, M818.

AS FOR THE REMAINDER OF MATERIAL IN THIS CASE, YOUR AUTHORITIES AGREED TO PRESENT A NEW CASE AFTER STUDYING THE MATTER WITH OFFICIALS OF THE KUWAIT AIR DEFENCE. A NEW CASE HAS NOT YET BEEN RECEIVED AND WE HOPE IT WILL BE SENT AT THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE TIME.

WE HOPE YOU WILL UNDERTAKE AT THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE TIME TO CONTACT YOUR APPROPRIATE AUTHORITIES TO ENSURE ACTIONS ARE TAKEN ON THE ABOVE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. UNQUOTE.

2. EMBASSY COMMENTARY ON THE ABOVE REQUESTS WILL BE PROVIDED ASAP. REFTEL PROVIDED TEXT OF NOTE NO. 639.

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